

## CURRICULUM VITAE OF ALFRED M. KWINTER

### Personal Details

Date of Birth: October 26th, 1945

Place of Birth: Vienna, Austria

Married with three children

### Education

B.A. - University of Toronto - 1967

J.D. - Faculty of Law University of Toronto - 1970

Articles - McLean, Lyons & Kerr - 1970 - 1971

Called to the Ontario Bar - spring, 1972

### Professional Experience

Associate McLean, Lyons & Kerr - 1973 - 74

Co-founder of the firm of Singer, Kwinter - 1974

Certified as a Specialist in Civil Litigation by the Law Society of Upper Canada - October, 1999

### Teaching Positions

Former instructor Humber College Police Science Course

Former instructor Bar Admission Course - Trial Practice

Former coach - Litigation Programs Advocates' Society

Assessor - **The Arnup Cup Moot Competition** - one of six assessors appointed by the Advocates' Society to judge province wide moot competition presided over by Ontario Superior Court Judge - winter, 2005

Assessor - **The Arnup Cup Moot Competition** - winter, 2006

Presided as judge for mooting exercise at University of Toronto Faculty of Law - 2006 - present

Assessor - **The Arnup Cup Moot Competition** - winter, 2007

Judge - University of Toronto Faculty of Law **Upper Year Moot** - February 6, 2008

Trial Practice Instructor Osgoode Hall Law School- Fall, 2008 - present

Assessor - **The Arnup Cup Moot Competition** - February 5 and 6, 2010

Workshop Instructor - **Cross-examination: Winning Techniques Used by Skilled Cross-Examiners** - TAS Education Program - sponsored by the Advocates' Society - March 4, 2010

Instructor/Teacher - **MAG Summer School Training** - presented by the Advocates' Society at McMaster University - June 20, 2013

### **Positions Held**

Former board member and legal chair - Beth Tikvah Synagogue

Director of the Advocates' Society - 2004 - 2006

Member of the Advocates' Society Education Committee - 2005 - 2006

Advocates' Society's representative on Disabilities Committee under chairmanship of Justice Karen Weiler which prepared report for Attorney General of Ontario on access to justice for those with disabilities - 2005 - 2006

Appointed "pre-trial judge" for purposes of mediating claims under the Simplified Rules to clear Simplified Rules case backlog. Settled in excess of 90 per cent of cases pre-tried - 2005 - 2006

Co-chair for the Court House Series sponsored by the Advocates' Society - providing advocacy demonstrations in court houses throughout Ontario - 2007 - present

Current Director, Board of Advisors, Vocational Rehabilitation Association Canada Ontario Society

Director - Medico-Legal Society - 2011 - 2014

### **Landmark Decisions**

*Urzi v. North York Board of Education*, [1981] O.J. No. 1955

One of the last cases to be decided prior to the passing of the *Occupiers' Liability Act*. The case dealt with the issue as to whether an icy sidewalk in January in the City of Toronto constituted an "unusual danger". Following the slip and fall the Plaintiff suffered a further injury some years later for which the defendant School Board was held liable. Upheld on appeal.

*Wong v. Arnold*, [1987] O.J. No. 335

Ontario Court of Appeal decision established that there was close to strict liability on a dog owner for a dog attack under the Dog Owners' Liability Act. Case was at the time one of the largest awards for a dog attack in Ontario. Upheld on appeal.

*Rodriguez v. Allstate*, [1994] O.J. No. 1686

Dealt with the difference in assessing damages following a fire between a public adjuster and the

insurer's own contractors. Solicitor and client costs awarded to plaintiff as a result of insurance company's conduct. Judgment was upheld on appeal.

*Leonard v. Mutual Life*, [2002] O.J. No. 669

Dealt with the definition of "total loss of use" when dealing with the issue as to whether a paraplegic qualified for benefits under an insurance policy where he had in effect rehabilitated himself out of the definition of paraplegic.

*Oldfield v. Transamerica Insurance Company*, [2002] S.C.J. No. 23

Supreme Court of Canada decision which established right of an innocent beneficiary to collect under a life insurance policy where the owner of policy died committing a crime.

*Mazza v. Hamilton Township Farmers Mutual Insurance Company*, [2006] O.J. No. 1508

Jury award of \$2,500,000.00 for punitive damages stands as the highest award for punitive damages ever awarded by a jury against an insurance company in Canadian legal history. Case was sent back for a new trial by the Ontario Court of Appeal based on misdirection by the Trial Judge on certain defences and settled just prior to the commencement of the second trial.

*Plester v. Wawanesa*, [2006] O.J. No. 2139

\$350,000.00 punitive damage award by the jury as a result of a fire loss stands as the highest award for punitive damages against an insurer ever upheld by the Ontario Court of Appeal.

*Kamin v. Kawartha Dairy*, [2006] O.J. No. 435

The Ontario Court of Appeal decision which reversed the trial judge's dismissal of the action effectively changed the law of trip and fall in Ontario by establishing that in certain circumstances as existed in this case it is no longer essential to establish precisely where the Plaintiff fell.

*Degennaro v. Oakville- Trafalgar Memorial Hospital* - Ontario Superior Court of Justice Action #C22753/00

Largest award for a chronic pain case in Canada - July, 2010.

*Brandiferri v. Wawanesa Mutual Insurance, et al.*, 2012 ONSC 2206

Alf Kwinter's third punitive damage award against an insurer, the second against Wawanesa.

The Court describes the defendant as a "repeat offender".

### **Judicial Comments on Counsel's Competence**

*Mazza v. Hamilton Township Farmers Mutual Insurance Company*, [2006] O.J. No. 1508

Decision of Justice C. A. Tucker released August 12th, 2004

“In essence, without legal support other than a very able law clerk, Mr. Kwinter managed an approximately two-month jury trial, which resulted in an overwhelmingly positive jury verdict. The trial was difficult, every issue contentious and every claim disputed. Mr. Menninga and Mr. Abrams for the defence were able adversaries. In the circumstances, given my discretion, the complexity of the case, the duration of the case, the outcome of the case and the importance of the matters involved together with the conduct of the defendant, warrant the total fees claimed by Mr. Kwinter on a substantial indemnity basis.”

“Without Mr. Kwinter’s agreement to take the file and carry it for ten years and to take the risk incumbent therein, this matter would never have been litigated. It is clear from the jury’s verdict that they felt the actions of the insurance company were very wrong. Save and except for Mr. Kwinter taking on this file, that wrong would never have been redressed.”

“The handling of the case by Mr. Kwinter on his own, assisted by one law clerk, entitles the plaintiffs’ counsel to a premium.”

*Plester v. Wawanesa*, [2006] O.J. No. 2139

Endorsement of Justice W. A. Jenkins, released August 23rd, 2004

“He [Mr. Kwinter] is a very experienced trial lawyer who is certified as a specialist in civil litigation. He demonstrated his experience and expertise in this case.... “

“In view of the risks involved in this litigation, Mr. Kwinter and his staff were required to leave no stone unturned in investigating and preparing this case. As a result, I believe the court should be generous in assessing the fees claimed by the plaintiffs.”

“The Plaintiffs’ counsel, Mr. Kwinter, took the case on knowing it was fraught with risks and very difficult. He and his firm investigated and prepared the case at their own expense. He did not receive any offer from the defendant Wawanesa prior to the trial and he embarked on a trial that he knew would be lengthy and costly. In the end, the plaintiff achieved a superior result.”

### **Papers and Presentations**

Presentation - **Anatomy of a Personal Injury Action** - sponsored by the Law Society of Upper Canada - January, 1988

Presentation - **Physicians and the New Auto Insurance Legislation** - sponsored by Columbia Rehabilitation Centre - November 22, 1996

Paper and presentation - **What’s New in the Field of Experts** - Courthouse Series - sponsored by the Advocates’ Society - co-authored with R. W. Traves - February, 1997

Paper and presentation - **Overcoming Obstacles in the Bad Faith Claim** - Ontario Trial Lawyers’ Association Fall Convention - October 24, 2003

Presentation - **What I Know Now That I Wish I Had Known in My Early Years of Practice** - Mentoring Dinner - sponsored by the Advocates' Society - March 3, 2004

Paper and presentation - **The Latest Word on Punitive and Aggravated Damages In Canada** - Second National Forum on Litigating Damages - sponsored by the Canadian Institute - February 26, 2004

Paper and Presentation - **The Cases and Law You Need to Know - Punitive Damages** - Insurance Law Update - sponsored by the Ontario Bar Association Insurance Law Section - November 22, 2004

Paper and presentation - **The Most Common Mistakes Insurers Make Which Expose Them to Punitive Damages** - sponsored by the Law Society of Upper Canada - December 6, 2004

Paper and presentation - **Practical Strategies on How to Put Together a Team of Experts to Enhance Your Damage Claim** - Tricks of the Trade Conference - sponsored by the Advocates' Society - January 14, 2005

Paper and presentation - **The Bad Faith Balloon** - sponsored by the Ontario Bar Association - February 4, 2005

Paper and presentation - **Damages In Commercial Litigation - What's New in Bad Faith and Punitive Damages** - 3rd Annual Forum on Litigating Personal Injury Damages - sponsored by the Canadian Institute - February 23, 2005

Paper and presentation - **Litigating Bad Faith Claims and Their Impact** - sponsored by Insight - April 18, 2005

Paper and presentation - **Reflections on How to Theme Your Case Early On** - Spring Convention - sponsored by Ontario Trial Lawyers' Association - May, 2005

Paper, presentation and Power Point Demonstration - **Developing the Punitive Damage Claim** - keynote address at the Spring Convention of the Atlantic Provinces Trial Lawyers' Association in St. John's, Newfoundland - June, 2005

Advocacy Demonstration - Part of Court House Series - Windsor Court House - February, 2006  
Presented advocacy demonstration to members of Windsor Bar and law students in Windsor, Ontario  
- sponsored by the Advocates' Society and the Essex County Law Association

Co-chair - Program on **Jury Advocacy** - sponsored by the Advocates' Society - April 7, 2006

Paper and presentation - **Complex Regional Pain Syndrome - The Plaintiff's Perspective** - Conference on Litigating Disability and Insurance Claims - sponsored by Insight - April 11, 2006

Advocacy Demonstration - demonstrated **How to conduct a pre-trial and summary trial under Simplified Rules** - presided over by Ontario Superior Court Judge at Toronto Court House - sponsored by Toronto Lawyers' Association - April 19, 2006

Presentation - **How To Prepare an Expert Witness** - sponsored by the Canadian Association of

Life Care Planners - April 20, 2006

Paper and presentation - **Litigating Disability Insurance Claims - What You Need to Know About the Increased Risk of Aggravated and Punitive Damages** - sponsored by the Canadian Institute - November 7, 2006

Paper and presentation - **After Whiten, Plester and Mazza, Where Are We?** - Fall Convention in Mayan Riviera, Mexico - sponsored by the Advocates' Society - November 10, 2006

Paper and presentation - **Litigating Catastrophic Disability and Damages - Can You Keep the Verdict** - sponsored by Insight - December 4, 2006

Advocacy Demonstration - Windsor Court House - February, 2007

Presented advocacy demonstration to members of Windsor Bar and law students in Windsor, Ontario as part of **Court House Series**

- sponsored by the Advocates' Society and the Essex County Law Association

Program Chair - **The Bench Speaks** - chaired and moderated three panels of Superior Court Judges from across Ontario - sponsored by the Advocates' Society - December 14, 2006

Presentation - **Legal Considerations for Life Care Planners** - conference sponsored by the Canadian Institute of Life Care Planners - January 12, 2007

Paper and presentation - **Punitive Damages** - Litigating Personal Injury Damages - sponsored by the Canadian Institute - February 21, 2007

Paper and presentation - **Punitive Damages** - Professional Development Program - sponsored by Osgoode Hall Law School - March 27, 2007

Appellate Advocacy Demonstration - appeared on behalf of Plaintiff in **Appellate Advocacy Demonstration** before Justices Goudge and Lang of Ontario Court of Appeal against Sheila Block of Torys in landmark Supreme Court of Canada decision of Fidler v. Sun Life - sponsored by the Advocates' Society at its Spring Symposium Conference - May 16, 2007

Paper and presentation - **Managing and Litigating Invisible Disabilities - The Increased Risk in Aggravated and Punitive Damages and Mental Health Claims** - sponsored by the Canadian Institute - June 20, 2007

Paper and presentation - **Litigating Catastrophic Disability and Damages** - panel discussion - participated in panel with plaintiff and defence counsel to discuss assessing claim potential under Bill 198 - September 18, 2007

Paper and presentation - **Advanced Forum on Motor Vehicle Litigation - Recent Court and Arbitration Decisions Uncovered** - sponsored by the Canadian Institute - September 25, 2007

Paper and presentation - **How to Frame Your Questions to the Jury**

Panel Member - **Discussion: When to give numbers to the Jury - The Plaintiff's Perspective** - Fall Convention - sponsored by Ontario Trial Lawyers' Association - October 27 and 28, 2007

Demonstration for Certified Life Care Planners - **Preparation of the Expert Witness** - January 17, 2008

Panelist - **Mediation & Pre-trial: Practical Tips & Strategies**

Paper and presentation - **Mediation & Pre-trial: Practical Tips & Strategies** -  
- Program sponsored by OBA/ADR Institute - February 5, 2008

Paper and presentation - **Mastering the Jury Trial: Putting Your Client's Case to the Jury** -  
Managing and Litigating Motor Vehicle Accidents Conference - sponsored by Osgoode Hall Law  
School - February 6 - 7, 2008

Paper and presentation - **Winning Over The Jury: Delivering Persuasive Arguments** - 6th  
Annual Forum on Winning Personal Injury Cases - sponsored by The Canadian Institute -  
February 20 - 21, 2008

Program Co-Chair - **The Bench Speaks Again** - Advocates' Society - March 5, 2008

Presentation - **Punitive and Aggravated Damages In Personal Injury Awards: Who Pays,  
How Much and Under What Circumstances** - 2008 Special Lecture - Personal Injury Law -  
sponsored by the Law Society of Upper Canada - April 2 - 3, 2008

Presentation - **I Am Being Sued. What Do I Do?** - University of Toronto Division of Physiatry  
Fall Retreat - October 3, 2008

Paper and Presentation - **The Rule in *Brown v. Dunn* Today** - Osgoode Hall Law School -  
Professional Development Series - October 16, 2008

Mentor - Fall Forum 2008 - **Litigation by the Lake** - sponsored by The Advocates' Society -  
Niagara-on-the-Lake - October 17 and 18, 2008

Paper and presentation - **Bad Faith and Big Money: What You Need to Know About  
Punitive and Aggravated Damages in Bad Faith Claims** - 9th Annual Conference on Litigating  
Disability Insurance Claims - sponsored by The Canadian Institute - October 27, 2008

Paper and presentation - **Insurance Litigation and Jury Trials** - Insurance Law: What You  
Need to Know - sponsored by the Ontario Bar Association - October 28, 2008

Panelist - ARC Group Seminar - November 13, 2008

Regional Chair - **Court House Series 2009** - "Show Me The Money" - sponsored by the  
Advocates' Society - February 12, 19 and 26, 2009

Co-presenter - **Unearthing Critical Post Settlement Considerations** - Personal Injury  
Settlements Conference - sponsored by The Canadian Institute - February 24, 2009

Chair - **The Judges Respond** - The Advocates' Society - April 17, 2009

Paper and presentation - **I Just Got My Subpoena - Now What Do I Do?** - VRA Canada  
Conference, St. John's, Newfoundland - April 29 - May 1, 2009

Instructor - **Summer Trial Advocacy College** - sponsored by The Advocates' Society - June 18 - 20, 2009

Guest Instructor and Judge - **Intensive Trial Advocacy Workshop** - sponsored by Osgoode Hall Law School - July 9 - 11, 2009

Presentation - **Proving the Chronic Pain/Fibromyalgia Case at Trial** - Wasser Pain Management Clinic, Mount Sinai Hospital - August 27, 2009

Paper and presentation - **Soft Tissue Injuries - Strategies and Tactics** - Osgoode 5th Personal Injury Law & Practice Conference - September 21, 2009

Panel member - **The Vocational Rehabilitation Summit** - sponsored by VRA Canada - October 1, 2009

Paper and presentation - **Negotiating and Litigating Evidentiary Issues** - Litigating Motor Vehicle Accident Claims - Gearing Up For Regime Reform Conference - sponsored by Insight - October 1, 2009

Paper and presentation - **Creative Approaches for Soliciting, Interpreting and Evaluating Medical Evidence** - Managing and Litigating Disability Insurance Claims Conference - sponsored by The Canadian Institute - October 26, 2009

Presentation - **Representing the Chronic Pain Patient** - to Chronic Pain Foundation, Hamilton, Ontario - sponsored by McMaster University & Michael G. Groote School of Medicine - November 8, 2009

Presentation - **The Chronic Pain Case** - "Insurance Wars: Litigate to Win" Conference - sponsored by Atlantic Provinces Trial Lawyers Association, Halifax Nova Scotia - November 13, 2009

Presentation - **Successful Use of Caucus** - Advanced Mediation Advocacy Forum sponsored by the Law Society of Upper Canada - November 18, 2009

Paper and Presentation - **Advancing or Challenging an Invisible Disability Claim** - 8th Annual Forum on Personal Injury Settlements - sponsored by the Canadian Institute - January 26, 2010

Regional Co-chair for the Court House Series 2010 - **Tackling the Tough Case: Limitations, Liability and Experts** - sponsored by the Advocates' Society - February 11, 18 and 25, 2010 - providing advocacy demonstrations in court houses throughout Ontario

Presentation - **My Life in Tort** - Queen's University Faculty of Law First-Year Tort Class - March 8, 2010

Skills Instructor - **Summer Trial Advocacy College Workshops** - presented by the Advocates' Society - June 3 - 5, 2010

Paper and Presentation - **Too Late to Rehabilitate Your Case: Making Sure Your Rehabilitation Expert Really Is...Well...An Expert** - Atlantic Provinces Trial Lawyers



Association Conference - June 26, 2010

Guest Instructor and trial judge - **Osgoode Hall Law School Intensive Trial Advocacy Workshop** - July 8 and 9, 2010

Presentation - **Tactics and Strategies in the Examination and Cross-Examination of an Expert Witness** - Personal Injury Program - presented by Osgoode Professional Development - September 16, 2010

Paper and Presentation - **Trends in Tort Law** - The 12-Minute Civil Litigator 2010 - presented by the Law Society of Upper Canada - September 21, 2010

Program Chair - **The Bench Speaks** - sponsored by the Advocates' Society - October 5, 2010

Presentation - **Undermining Your Opponent's Credibility Through Effective and Proper Use of Surveillance and Videotaping of Medical Assessments** - 11th Annual Conference on Managing and Litigating Disability Insurance Claims - presented by the Canadian Institute - October 21, 2010

Paper and Presentation - **"Insurance Litigation and Jury Trials"** - 2010 Insurance Law Program - sponsored by the Ontario Bar Association - October 21, 2010

Presentation - **"I've Been Summoned to Court! How Will This Affect Me?"** and **"Taking the Stand" - Mock Trial** - Provincial Conference of Emergency Nurses Association of Ontario, Kingston, Ontario - October 22, 2010

Paper and presentation - **The Trial of a Chronic Pain Case** - 2010 Fall Conference - presented by the Ontario Trial Lawyers' Association - October 28, 2010

Paper and presentation - **Why Do Mediations Fail?** - CICMA/CIAA Ontario Chapters' 44th Annual Joint Conference "Litigation, Mitigation and Strategies In Between" - February 8, 2011

Regional Chair - 2011 Court House Series - **"Evidence That Wins Cases"** - presented by the Advocates' Society - February 9 - 24, 2011

Mentor - Toronto Mentoring Dinner Series, **"Getting the Right Start"** - sponsored by the Advocates' Society - March 3, 2011

Chair and Presenter - **"Conduct of a Fire Loss Claim"** - 2011 Spring Conference - presented by the Ontario Trial Lawyers' Association - May 26 and 27, 2011

Guest Instructor - **Osgoode Hall Law School Intensive Trial Advocacy Workshop** - July 12, 2011

Instructor - **Crown Summer School - Workshop - McMaster University** - presented by the Advocates' Society - July 28, 2011

Instructor - **Trial Advocacy Seminar - Osgoode Hall Law School** - September 6, 2011

Presentation - **Demonstration: Examination-in-Chief and Cross-Examination of a Catastrophic Impairment Expert** - 7th Annual Update - Personal Injury Law and Practice - presented by Osgoode Hall Professional Development - September 28, 2011

Presentation - **Assessment of Damages** - Advocates' Society/Thunder Bay Law Association Fall CLE program - October 20 and 21, 2011

Co-Presenter - **Mock Court Case - "The Examination and Cross-Examination of the Expert Medical Witness"** - University Health Network Joint Emergency Medicine Nursing and Physician Conference - November 1 and 2, 2011

Presentation - **"Chronic Pain and the Courts"** - 7th Academic Pain Day - presented by McMaster University - November 9, 2011

Co-chair - **program on Chronic Pain and Fibromyalgia** - presented by Osgoode Hall Professional Development - November 24 and 25, 2011

Co-chair - **2011 - 2012 Court House Series** - sponsored by the Advocates' Society

Regional Chair - 2012 Court House Series - **"Managing the Difficult Witness - Practical Strategies for Overcoming the Hurdles in Controlling and Examining Difficult Witnesses"** - presented by the Advocates' Society - February 16 - 24, 2012

Presentation - **"Winning the Battle of the Experts: How to Properly Instruct and Communicate with your Medical Experts to Obtain Best Report Possible"** - 12th Annual Managing & Litigating Disability Insurance Claims Event - presented by the Canadian Institute - April 18, 2012

Instructor - **Summer Trial Advocacy Workshop** - sponsored by the Advocates' Society - June 1, 2012

Guest Instructor - **Osgoode Hall Law School Intensive Trial Advocacy Workshop** - July 11, 2012

Instructor - **Workshop at McMaster University for the Attorney General** - presented by the Advocates' Society - July 12, 2012

Presenter - **Personal Injury Conference** - presented by Osgoode Hall Law School - September 28, 2012

Presenter - **Chronic Pain Program** - presented by Osgoode Hall Law School - November 15 - 16, 2012

Lawyers Panel - **Tricks of the Trade 2013** - presented by the Advocates' Society - January 25, 2013

Lawyers Panel - **2013 Program - Civil Litigation** - presented by the Ontario Bar Association - February 7, 2013

Co-chair - **2013 Courthouse Series** - sponsored by the Advocates' Society - February, 2013

Judge - **2013 Arnup Cup Trial Advocacy Competition** - presented by the Advocates' Society - February 8 and 9, 2013

Mentor - **Advocates' Society Mentoring Dinner** - February 27, 2013

Co-chair - **2nd Annual Senior Counsel Forum** - presented by the Advocates Society - March 1, 2013

Program Director - **Certificate in Personal Injury Law** - presented by Osgoode Hall Law School - April 3 - May 13, 2013

Presenter - **"A Mock Cross-Examination"** - Educational Rounds - presented by the Wasser Pain Clinic - April 4, 2013

Presenter - **"The Response of the Legal System to Injured Patients"** - Patient Symposium - presented by Oakley & Oakley and the Patients' Association of Canada - April 13, 2013

Presenter - **Oatley McLeish Guide to Motor Vehicle Litigation** - presented by the Law Society of Upper Canada - April 19, 2013

Presenter - **"Advice for Handling the Acquired Brain Injury Victim and Their Case - Practical Suggestions from the Trenches"** - Acquired Brain Injury Litigation and Medicine Conference - presented by the Medico-Legal Society of Toronto - May 1, 2013

Guest Instructor - **Intensive Trial Advocacy Workshop** - presented by Osgoode Hall Law School - July 9 and 10, 2013

Participant - **"Effective Examinations: Things They Never Told Us"** - Summer Institute 2013 - presented by the Ontario Bar Association - August 28, 2013

Presenter - **Mediation Advocacy** - presented by Osgoode Hall Law School - December 10, 2013

Presenter - **"Putting Theory Into Practice: Exercising Professionalism and Civility"** - presented by The Advocates' Society - December 13, 2013

Co-chair - **2014 Courthouse Series** - sponsored by the Advocates' Society - February, 2014

Co-chair - **Annual Senior Counsel Forum** - presented by the Advocates Society - April 2, 2014

Presenter - **"Fundamentals of Personal Injury Practice"** – presented by OBA – April 9, 2014

Mentor - **Advocates' Society Mentoring Dinner** - May 22, 2014

Panelist – **"Advocacy at the mediation"**- presented by Osgoode Hall Law School- September 15, 2014

Presenter – **The Advocates’ Society Fall Convention in Mexico**- November 5-9, 2014

Co-chair – “**Fibromyalgia and Chronic Pain claims, The Science, The Law, The Strategies**”- presented by Osgoode Hall Law School- November 19, 2014

Co-chair - **Senior Counsel Forum** presented by The Advocates Society- December 3, 2014

Co-chair -2015 **Courthouse Series** - sponsored by the Advocates’ Society - February, 2015

Judge –“**Do A Trial**” by The Advocates Society – March 2015

Co- chair – “**Brain Injury Litigation**- presented by Osgoode Professional Development – April 2015

Guest Instructor - **Osgoode Hall Law School Intensive Trial Advocacy Workshop** – July 7 & 8 2015

Presenter/Panelist – “**Fire Loss Claims**” – OTLA Webinar – September 2, 2015

Instructor –“**Train the Trainer**” Workshop sponsored by the Advocates’ Society – September 21, 2015

Presenter –“**The Ultimate Trial Advocacy Course**” in Fredericton, NB presented by CBA-NB – October 2, 2015

Presenter – “**Recent Top Decisions on Insurance Law & Coverage**” – presented by OBA – October 23, 2015

Presenter – “**Advocating for Damages**” - OTLA Fall Conference – October 28 & 29, 2015

Co-chair – **Senior Counsel Forum** sponsored by The Advocates’ Society- November 27, 2015

Co-chair - 2016 **Courthouse Series** - sponsored by the Advocates’ Society – February/March 2016

Instructor – 2016 **ACTO Mediation Advocacy Workshop** sponsored by the Advocates’ Society- June 23, 2016

Guest Instructor - **Osgoode Hall Law School Intensive Trial Advocacy Workshop**- July 13, 2016

Panelist – “**The Future of the Personal Injury Bar**” sponsored by Osgoode Hall Law School – September 23, 2016

Mentor - **Advocates’ Society Mentoring Dinner** – October 13, 2016

Co-chair – **Senior Counsel Forum** by The Advocates’ Society- November 30, 2016

Presenter – **Insurance Law and Civil Litigation** presented by OBA – December 6, 2016

Panelist – **Successful Advocacy in Tort & Personal Injury Mediations** sponsored by Osgoode Professional Development- February 15, 2017

Co-chair - 2017 **Courthouse Series** - sponsored by the Advocates' Society –March 2017

Co-chair – **Advancing or Defending Major Fire & Property Loss** presented by Osgoode Professional Development –April 4, 2017

Panelist/Presenter - **Advancing or Defending Invisible Injury Cases, The Science, The Law, The Strategies** – sponsored by Osgoode Professional Development – April 19, 2017

Panelist – OTLA Spring Conference **Winning Your Case: What Works & What Doesn't-** sponsored by OTLA – April 28, 2017

### **Awards and Honours**

Awarded the **H. Bruce T. Hillyer Award** by the Ontario Trial Lawyers Association (OTLA) in May, 2004. The award reads:

“This award is presented by the Ontario Trial Association to Alfred M. Kwinter in recognition of his outstanding contribution to the cause of civil justice. As a member of the Ontario Trial Lawyers Association, the recipient has exemplified the spirit of OTLA in fearlessly advancing the cause of individual rights by the effective use of trial advocacy.”

Chosen by OTLA as the **Plaintiff Bar's Honouree** of the year at the annual “**Celebration of the Personal Injury Bar**” dinner held on November 14, 2008

April, 2011 - Singer, Kwinter named as one of the top 5 personal injury boutique law firms in Canada by Canadian Lawyer Magazine

Presented with award for **Excellence in Teaching** by the Advocates' Society at the End of Term Dinner on June 6th, 2012

Recipient of the **2015 OBA Award for Excellence in Insurance Law.**

### **Articles**

**Punitive and Aggravated Damage Awards in Disability Claims** - The Litigator - October, 2008 edition

**Why Do Mediations Fail?** - Canadian Underwriter - March, 2009 edition

**Punitive Damages Since Whiten** - The Litigator - July, 2009 edition

**Memories of Ann Arbor - A Law Conference Like No Other** - The Litigator - September, 2011 edition

**Other Positions**

Director - Little Lake Joseph Cottagers Association

Former Legal Chair and Board Member - Beth Tikvah Synagogue

Member of the Dean's Advisory Council - Humber College School of Business

Acting President – Tamara Gordon Foundation